CHICKASAHAY

BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

1894.

MINUTES

—OF THE—

NINETEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

—OF THE—

Chickasahay Baptist Association,

—HELD WITH—

ENTERPRISE BAPTIST CHURCH,

September 20, 21 and 22, 1894.

OFFICERS.

J. W. BOZEMAN, ... Moderator
O. D. BOWEN, ... Clerk
J. F. PARKER, ... Treasurer

The next meeting of the Association will be held with Pachuta church, on North Eastern Railroad, Thursday, before the First Sunday in October, 1895.

MINUTES.

FIRST DAY—Morning Session.

The Chickasahay Baptist Association met in its Nineteenth Annual Session with the Enterprise church at 10 A. M., September 20th, 1894.

Devotional Exercises were conducted by Elder W. J. David.

The Moderator, Elder J. W. Bozeman, called the meeting to order and announced the following committees:

On Finance—J. N. Melton, W. D. Turner.

On Devotional Exercises—J. A. Hackett and delegates Enterprise church.

On Reading—Chas. G Elliott, W. H. Hardy.

The churches were represented as follows:

Barnett—By letter.

Big Creek—Not represented.

Buckatunna—W. B. Hooks, C. Thames.

Clear Creek—By letter.

Concord—C. H. Beard, T. J. Ulmer.

DeSoto—A. I. Jones, J. N. Shirley.

Ellisville—S. O. Smith, J. M. Bush, J. F. Parker, Lee Wood, O. D. Bowen.

Eastabuchie—By letter.

Enterprise—H. R. Ward, R. M. Buckley, Robt. George, C. S. Ray, J. L. George, J. E. Phillips.

Fairfield—J. W. Martin, T. J. Woodard.

Fairmount—A. O. Jones, J. A. Chapman.

41*st Avenue*—A. C. Hulett, L. A. Duncan.

15*th Avenue*—J. A. Hackett, W. J. David, J. J. Blanks.

Highland—By letter.

Harmony—W. W. McLeod, A. J. Crain.

Heidelberg—W. A. Roper.

Hepzibah—W. J. Stallings.

Lauderdale—Not represented.

Laurel—W. D. Turner.

Meridian—W. H. Hardy, J. N. Melton, R. H. Gill, J. W. Bozeman, J. L. Martin, W. S. Culpepper.

Mount Zion—J. S. Busby, H. E. O'Gwin.

Narkeeta—By letter.

New Hope—Not represented.

Oak Grove—J. Sumrall.

Pachuta—J. S. Hardee.

Poplar Springs—L. M. Stone.

Quitman—A. D. Kirkland.

Salem—By letter.

Sandersville—By letter.

Shubuta—W. H. Patton, R. M. Guy, J. M. Phillips.

Stonewall—J. W. Tucker, J. D. Priester, Mason Green.

State Line—Not represented.

South Side—J. E. Dunn, R. A. Breckenridge.

Thompson's Creek—Not represented.

Vossburg—Not represented.

Yellow Creek—Not represented.

Petitionary letters were called for when Stonewall

church presented a letter asking for admission into this body.

On motion, the church was received and the hand of fellowship extended the delegates by the Moderator.

Association proceeded to organize.

On motion, J. W. Bozeman was re-elected Moderator; O. D. Bowen, Clerk, and J. F. Parker, Treasurer.

The following churches, Laurel, Sandersville, Ellisville, Heidelberg and Eastabuchie, made request for letters of dismission from this body with the intention of going into the organization of a new Association on the North Eastern Railroad.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That letters of dismission from this Association be granted the churches asking for the same to form a new Association, to take effect after the adjournment of this Association.

An address of welcome was delivered by Brother Robt. George, which was responded to by Brother W. H. Hardy.

On motion, the hour for meeting and adjourning was adopted as follows: Meet at 9 A. M.; adjourn at 12 M.; meet at 2:30 P. M.; adjourn at 5 P. M.; meet at 7:30 P. M.; adjourn at pleasure.

A preamble and resolutions in reference to National aid to Indian Schools were offered by W. H. Hardy, and,

On motion, the special hour for discussion of same was fixed for 4 P. M.

On motion, adjourned.

Prayer by Chas. G. Elliott.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association assembled at appointed hour. O. D. Bowen offered prayer.

Messengers and visiting brethren were invited to seats with us and the following names were enrolled:

Chas. G. Elliott—Home Mission Board.

W. T. Lumbley—Missionary to Africa.

J. A. Pigford, J. D. Stone—Bethlehem Association.

J. R. Farish—Baptist Record.

J. D. Lee, J. R. Neeley—Salem Association.

E. S. Robinson—General Association.

C. M. Morris—Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

W. J. David—Foreign Mission Board.

On motion, appointed corresponding messengers to

Bethlehem Association—W. S. Culpepper, J. A. Hackett, L. A. Duncan, W. J. David.

Salem Association—W. D. Turner.

Mount Pisgah Association—J. N. Melton, W. A. Roper.

Gulf Coast Association—O. D. Bowen, J. A. Hackett.

Pearl Leaf Association—W. D. Turner.

Liberty Association—W. H. Patton, A. I. Jones, J. Sumrall, R. M. Guy.

General Association—J. A. Hackett, J. W. Tucker, L. A. Duncan, J. W. Bozeman.

L. A. Duncan read report of Executive Committee, which, on motion, was adopted.

W. H. Hardy reported for committee appointed at last session of this body to suggest to our State Conven-

tion a plan for raising means for sustentation, and stated that the committee had performed that duty. (See State Convention Minutes for 1894, page 24.)

On motion, the following committee was appointed: *On Queries and Requests*—R. H. Gill, W. H. Patton, J. L. George, J. Sumrall.

The special hour for discussion of preamble and resolutions in reference to National Aid to Indian Schools having arrived, the same was discussed and,

On motion, was unanimously adopted by a rising vote, and are published in another place in these minutes.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

On Publications—W. J. David, Robt. George, S. O. Smith.

Education—W. H. Hardy, W. A. Roper, J. S. Busby.

Temperance—L. A. Duncan, A. I. Jones, J. W. Tucker.

Sunday-Schools—W. H. Patton, W. B. Hooks, Lee Wood.

Foreign Missions—C. S. Ray, J. M. Bush, W. J. David, W. T. Lumbley.

Home Missions—J. E. Phillips, R. M. Guy, W. H. Hardy, J B. Priester.

State Missions—W. A. Roper, Mason Green, J. A. Chapman, J. A. Hackett.

Sustentation—J. F. Parker, A. O. Jones, A. C. Hulett.

Nominations—J. L. Martin, W. D. Turner, W. H. Patton, J. S. Hardee.

Ministerial Education—W. S. Culpepper, T. J. Woodward, J. E. Dunn.

Corportage—R. A. Breckenridge, C. H. Beard, J. W. Martin.

Woman's Work—J. M. Phillips, H. E. O'Gwin, C. Thomas.

Adjourned with prayer by W. A. Roper.

SPECIAL HOUR—According to appointment, Chas. G. Elliott preached the Associational Sermon from the text found in Gal. 6:14. Subject: "Glorying in the Cross."

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Association met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by H. F. Sproles.

Proceedings of first day were read and approved, and,

On motion, Sisters M. Holliday and M. L. Thomas were received as messengers from Barnett church.

Report from Vice-President Woman's Work was read and adopted.

W. H. Hardy submitted resolution on what relation the churches occupy or should occupy towards the popular amusements of the day, etc., and,

On motion, the following committee was appointed to report on same to this body.

Committee—J. A. Hackett, O. D. Bowen, L. A. Duncan, J. L. George, R. M. Guy.

Visiting brethren being invited to seats with us, the following names were enrolled: C. C. Vaughn, Bigbee Association; H. F. Sproles, State Convention; J. J. W. Mathis, Gulf Coast Association.

The report on Publications was read by W. J. David, discussed and adopted.

The report on Sunday Schools was read by W. H. Patton, discussed and adopted.

The report on Education was submitted by W. H. Hardy, discussed and adopted.

On motion, the consideration of report on Foreign Missions was fixed for 4 P. M.

On motion, H. F. Sproles was invited to preach tonight at 7:30 o'clock, and to speak in the interests of Jackson church.

Adjourned with prayer by J. J. W. Mathis.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association met at 2:30 o'clock.

W. S. Culpepper offered prayer.

J. A. Hackett offered the following amendment to Rules of Decorum, which,

On motion, was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That Article 4 of Rules of Decorum be amended so as to read: It shall be in order for male delegates and messengers only to discuss questions or speak publicly in the sessions of the body, and only one member shall speak at a time, who shall rise and address the Moderator.

J. F. Parker read report on Sustentation, which was adopted.

W. A. Roper read report on State Missions which was discussed and adopted.

O. D. Bowen read report on Rawl's Springs High School.

On motion, it was adopted, and the committee continued.

L. A. Duncan read report on Temperance, which was discussed and adopted.

The special hour for discussion of report on Foreign Missions having arrived the report was submitted by C. S. Ray and discussed by W. T. Lumbley, returned missionary from Africa and others, and,

On motion, a collection was taken to assist Missionary Lumbley in purchasing books needed in his African field amounting to $4.50.

Adjourned with prayer by J. A. Hackett.

NIGHT SERVICE.

Elder H. F. Sproles preached from the text, found in Ephesians 4:30, "Grieve not the Holy Spirit of God." Subject—The personality and office work of the Holy Spirit, and how He may be grieved by the children of God. At the close of the sermon Brother Sproles spoke in the interest of Jackson church building, and a collection was taken for same amounting in cash to $5.65, and in subscriptions to $28.00 including $25.00 subscribed by J. J. W. Mathis.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Association met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by C. C. Vaughn.

Proceedings of preceding day were read and approved.

R. A. Breckenridge read report on Colportage, which was adopted.

J. M. Phillips read report on Woman's Work, which was discussed and adopted, and,

On motion, Sister Georgie Dees Phillips, was re-elected Vice-President Woman's Work.

L. A. Duncan submitted report on Relation of the Churches toward popular amusements, which was discussed and,

On motion, adopted unanimously by a rising vote.

L. A. Duncan submitted the following resolutions which,

On motion, were adopted.

Resolved, That the sincere thanks of the Association be hereby extended to the citizens of Enterprise for the royal manner in which they have entertained the members, and to the church and its friends for the excellent music and kind attention.

Resolved, That the Clerk be authorized to have a requisite number of minutes printed, and be allowed $25 for his services, notifying the churches if there be a deficiency in funds that they may take up necessary collections.

Resolved, That the Moderator appoint a committee or committees to visit or otherwise look after the unrepresented churches, and notify any that have sent neither delegates nor letters for three consecutive years, that they will be dropped from the roll unless reporting to our next session.

Resolved, That we appreciate the kind tender of the Methodist and Presbyterian brethren of their houses of worship and for various other courtesies.

O. D. Bowen submitted report on Ministerial Education, which was discussed and adopted.

J. E. Phillips read report on Home Missions, which was discussed and adopted.

W. J. David, W. H. Patton and Robt. George were appointed a committee on unrepresented churches.

J. F. Parker, J. D. Bonner and O. D. Bowen were re-appointed a committee on Rawl's Springs High School.

The following Executive Committee of Association was appointed to attend to any business necessary between the sessions of the body: L. A. Duncan, W. H. Hardy, J. M. Phillips, J. S. Hardee, L. M. Stone.

W. D. Turner submitted report on Nominations, which was adopted.

J. N. Melton read report on Finance, which was adopted.

Association adjourned sine die, with prayer by L. M. Stone.

J. W. BOZEMAN, Moderator.

O. D. BOWEN, Clerk.

Ordained Ministers---Their Post Office.

Bozeman, J. W	Meridian, Miss
Breckenridge, R. A	Meridian, Miss
Bowen, O. D	Ellisville, Miss
Culpepper, W. S	Meridian, Miss
Crawford, J. O	Shubuta, Miss
David, W. J	Meridian, Miss
Gressett, A	Meridian, Miss
Guy, R. M	Shubuta, Msss
Hackett, J. A	Meridian, Miss
Jones, A. I	DeSoto, Miss
Knight, G. W	Waynesboro, Miss
Phillips, J. M	Shubuta, Miss
Phillips, J. E	Enterprise, Miss
Ray, C. S	Enterprise, Miss
Roper, W. A	Louisville, Ky
Sumrall, R. W	Shubuta, Miss
Stone, L. M	Meridian, Miss
West, W. Z	Shubuta, Miss
West, Wilson	Waynesboro, Miss

Licentiates.

A. H. Smith, G. D. Best, W. B. Moritz, Wm. McKeever, F. M. Neely, S. W. Joiner.

Tabulated Statement of Facts and Figures.

No. of churches		36
No. of ordained ministers		19
No. of licentiates		6
Additions by baptism	206	
Additions by letter	247	
Additions by restoration	23	476
Losses by letter	253	
Losses by exclusion	33	
Losses by erasure	20	
Losses by death	15	321
Present membership		2,644
No. of Ladies Aid and Mission Societies		14
No. of Sunday Schools		25
No. of Sunday School Scholars		1,809
No. of officers and teachers		197
No. of meeting houses		34
No. of pastor's homes		2
Value of all		$50,000 00

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For State Missions	$ 276 45
For Home Missions	137 90
For Foreign Mission	183 35
For Ministerial Education	211 45
For Sustentation	104 03
For Mississippi College	2 25
For Baptist Bible Society	1 10
For Sunday School expenses	548 64
For home expenses, including pastor's salaries	7,200 23
For miscellaneous objects	10,365 05
For Associational purposes	70 45
Total	$19,100 90

CHICKASAWAY ASSOCIATION.

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DATE.	PLACE.	MODERATOR.	CLERK.	TREASURER.	PREACHER.	MEMB'S
1876, Dec. 2	Shubuta	W. D. Northrup	F. C. McGhee	M. E. Norris	W. D. Northrup	599
1877, Nov. 3	Enterprise	O. D. Bowen	" "	F. C. McGhee	T. J. Walne	609
1878, Nov. 29	State Line	O. D. Bowen	" "	J. P. Seabrook	O. D. Bowen	696
1879, Sept. 5	Shubuta	W. D. Northrup	" "	F. C. McGhee	W. B. Crumpton	717
1880, " 3	Meridian	J. W. Bozeman	" "	" "	J. M. Phillips	634
1881, " 2	Quitman	W. D. Northrup	" "	" "	J. W. Bozeman	581
1882, " 22	Buckatunna	J. M. Phillips	" "	" "	W. West	778
1883, " 28	Enterprise	J. W. Bozeman	" "	" "	W. H. Carroll	932
1884, " 26	Shubuta	" "	" "	" "	J. W. Bozman	1032
1885, " 25	Ellisville	" "	" "	" "	L. M. Stone	1054
1886, " 24	Quitman	" "	" "	" "	J. W. Bozeman	1339
1887, " 23	Heidelberg	" "	W. M. Conner	W. M. Conner	L. E. Hall	1582
1888, " 21	Hattiesburg	S. O. Ray	" "	" "	T. S. Powell	1770
1889, " 27	Waynesboro	J. W. Bozeman	" "	" "	J. B. Gambrell	2018
1890, " 26	Ellisville	" "	" "	" "	J. A. Hackett	2350
1891, " 25	Meridian	" "	" "	" "	G. W. Knight	2316
1892, " 22	Shubuta	" "	O. D. Bowen	J. P. Meyer	J. A. Hackett	2426
1893, " 21	Sandersville	" "	" "	J. F. Parker	A. V. Rowe	2435
1894, " 20	Enterprise	" "	" "	" "	Chas. G. Elliott	2644

REPORTS.

Treasurer Report.

1893.

Sept. 22, 1893—By cash from Finance Com.....$72 35

DR.

Sept. 22, 1893—To cash handed O. D. Bowen...$72 35

J. F. PARKER, TREASURER.

Report of Clerk for 1894.

DR.

Sept. 1893.

To amount printing 500 minutes	$58 55	
" stationery and stamps	3 55	
" Expressage and drayage	90	
" Clerk's fees	25 00	
		$ 88 00

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Sept. 22, 1893.

By amount from Treasurer	$72 35	
" " " two churches	3 30	
Sept. 20, 1894.		
By amount public collection	12 35	
		$88 00

Finance Report.

Your committee report the following contributions sent up by the churches and their disbursements as follows:

For Foreign Missions	$ 22 00
" State Missions	19 75
" Home Missions	23 20
" Sustentation	8 20
" Ministerial Education	5 50
" Mississippi College	2 25
" Associational purposes	68 45
	$149 35
By amount handed J. F. Parker, Treasurer,	68 45
" " on hand to be turned over to proper parties	80 90
	$ 149 35

W. D. TURNER,
J. N. MELTON,
Finance Com.

State Missions.

Your committee beg leave to report, that after examining the reports from the various fields, we find much to encourage us. News comes from almost every station, telling us of the hosannas of new born souls.

There have been 393 baptisms reported—about fifty of these in our coast work, where, under the blessings of God, we have been enabled to organize nine churches pastored by three of God's able, faithful and humble servants; yet there is much in this field to be done. About 35,000 souls stretching along a distance of about seventy miles, and about three-fourths of these are Catholics. This is a great work of faith, for in the little town of Bay St. Louis, after years of hard labor, only nine of our faith are to be found. Yet, brethren, God

has said: "My word shall not return unto me void, but shall accomplish that where unto I send it."

Then our Delta fields present some equally decided characteristics that make it necessary that we give much attention to their development. At Yazoo City our cause promises to be self-sustaining in the near future. At Holly Springs our people are gladdened with the happy anticipation that they are soon to have a good house of worship of their own. Then we may expect a much more rapid advance.

At Greenwood money is being raised, and enough now in sight to assure them of a neat house.

At Meridian our work has its encouragements and promises its fruits.

So we see that there is every encouragement to press our work in all these more prominent places, and we do earnestly request that our churches recognize these leadings of the Master and furnish the means for a more determined forward movement.

Our evangelists have had their work crowned with much success. That in the Columbus Association, although hindered by the serious illness of our brother's wife, has had its signs of blessings. Brother L. E. Hall, in the south-east, has done a noble work, and shows that the demands of that section have been well supplied. Reports from Brother G. W. Knight show that the people everywhere gladly receive him, and that God is smiling upon his work.

Our Sunday School evangelist is fast taking favor, and the reports from his work show not only the wisdom of the work, bot also of our brother, B. N. Hatch.

In addition to the preaching and organization of new churches, great and lasting good is being done by the distribution of religious tracts, periodicals and papers among our people, making religious visits and holding prayer-meetings.

Therefore, in view of what has already been accomplished, let us thank God and take courage, and renew and enlarge our work and our contributions.

We would recommend that every pastor would make a contribution to this work, and urge upon and see that every member of his flock shall do something along this line. And we would further recommend that the board would yet help many more of our weak churches in securing able and faithful pastors.

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. ROPER,
Chairman.

Home Missions.

The various destitute places in our Southland convince us that there is need of Home Mission work.

Home Mission work along different lines. That is to say, in the work of Home Mission effort is made to reach, not only our own people in destitute regions, but also the colored race, the foreign population among us and the Indians in the West. Church building is also a feature of Home Mission work.

During the past year fifteen Southern States had Home Missionaries laboring in them.

In the Southern part of our own State there has been and is much want of the light of the truth, but we are thankful that "the morning light is breaking" in some measure over this section of the country, and many are being led by the Holy Spirit to the life-giving fountain.

Catholicism on the coast is very strong, and much faithful missionary work is needed in addition to what has already been done by the earnest men of God who have labored, and now labor, in this priest-ridden section.

But before we go so far to the Southward, we find a large district of country between the M. & O. and N. O. & N. E. R. R.'s, in which there is but little preaching, and this is only a sample of what may be found in other Southern States. So we may well take to ourselves the injunction to lift the eye and "look upon the fields."

There is a vast field for Home Mission work among the colored people of the South.

Many thousands of this race grope in darkness, although, as we would say, they live in the midst of light. Ignorance of correct Bible is the bane.

They have some comparatively able preachers and teachers among them, and with the right kind of Mission work would have more.

And now turn and visit the Red Man in the West, and what do you find? Hundreds going "the way of all the earth," and going down to eternal death. What do we find? A race to whom the gospel should be given as well for a safeguard against depredations upon our own people as for the salvation of their immortal souls.

The Foreign population in our midst! What does it mean? It means that thousands of people are upon us who are either to have Christ or not to have Him. It means then that thousands of people are either to be Christianized and so become good and useful citizens or remain unchristianized and be a menace to our country. But we are glad efforts are being made to reach this class and to give to them the Christ, the Savior of the world. Missionaries worked among this population last year in Kansas, Missouri, in Louisville and in Texas, aided by the Home Mission Board.

We are also glad work is being done among the Indians. Eighteen missionaries labored in the Indian Territory and Oklahoma last year.

Cuba has a work fostered by our Home Board; a marvelous work. In a very few years five churches have been established in Havana with a total membership of 2,582. There are twenty-four missionaries working in seventeen churches and stations. There are eight Sunday Schools, with large attendance, and a Girls' High School with six teachers. Baptisms of last year, 150. This is a work greatly blessed of the Lord, because of which we greatly rejoice.

In the Southern States last year 381 missionaries were employed by the Home Board. Add those in Cuba and we have 405.

The 381 in the United States labored in 1,229 churches and stations, preached 34,024 sermons, held 3,917 prayer-meetings, organized 429 Sunday Schools, distributed 1,150 Bibles and Testaments and 391,755 pages of tracts, and made 2,197 visits. They baptized during the year 4,470, and received by letter 4,039 persons. The number of houses of worship built during the year is sixty-seven.

Cash receipts by the Board, $91,148.35. Cash for co-operative work $84,809.83; cash for building houses of worship $2,734.90.

We are pleased that so much is being done on the home field, but much more might be done.

Your committee recommend that all proper means be used to do more; that many who are now without Christ and without hope may come and drink of the water, whereof if one drinks he shall never thirst again.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. PHILLIPS,
R. M. GUY,
J. D. BRISTER,
W. H. HARDY,
Committee.

Foreign Missions.

Your committee would submit the following report on Foreign Missions, as found in the proceedings of the late Mississippi Baptist Convention, as follows:

In our foreign mission fields, we have now imployed 94 missionaries unmarried. In Canton and vicinity, (begun in 1845), 13 missionaries, 22 native helpers, 5 churches with 806 members, 199 baptisms, 10 schools and $164.20 contributions, Shanghai and vicinity, (1847) 7 missionaries, 5 native assistants, 3 churches,

104 members, 7 baptisms, 2 schools, contributions $86.00. Lung Chow and vicinity (1860), 12 missionaries, 3 churches, 149 members, 4 baptisms.

For African Missions—Lagos and Interior, (1850), 9 missionaries, 7 assistants, 5 churches, 166 members, 24 baptisms, contributions $123.50.

Italy—at Rome, Florence and fourteen other towns, (1870), 3 missionaries from the United States, 27 native preachers and colporters, 17 churches, 372 members, 38 baptisms, contributions $395.00.

In Brazil—at Bahio and vicinity, (1882), 5 missionaries, 4 native helpers, 4 churches, 280 members, 69 baptisms.

At Rio and vicinity, (1883), 6 missionaries, 5 native preachers, 6 churches, 114 members, 17 baptisms, contributions $715.00.

Pernambuco, (1889), 32 members, 23 baptism, contributions $125.00.

Campos, (1890), 4 missionaries, 2 native assistants, 1 church, 93 members, 50 baptisms, contributions, $390.00.

In Mexico, (1880), 25 missionaries, 15 native helpers, 37 churches, 1,163 members, 277 baptisms, 2 schools, contributions, $2600.25.

Japan, (1889), 4 missionaries, 4 native assistants, 1 church, 31 members, 9 baptisms.

Totals—Churches 84, members, 3,328, baptisms 629, Schools 15, contributions $5,944.27.

For the current year the work seems to be no where specially impeded, but in every field are continued proofs of Divine favor and of the power of the Holy Spirit.

We, therefore, recommend that our people arouse themselves fully to the great importance of this work.

Respectfully submitted,

C. S. RAY,
JESSE M. BUSH,
W. T. LUMBLEY,
W. J. DAVID,
Committee.

Education.

Your committee has had the subject referred to it under careful consideration, and is pleased to report that the educational interests of the denomination, in this State, were never before so prosperous. There seems to be a great forward movement all along the line, and one which, we trust, will gather force and strength as it goes until it shall dominate the whole State.

The committee notes with pride the fact that the masses, especially that large class designated in the Bible as the "common people," and whom we are accustomed to speak of as the "bone and sinew" of the land, are becoming more thoroughly inbued with the importance of educating their children than ever before, and of educating them well. This is right. The day of illiteracy is gone. Education has become a necessity.

What is our duty as Baptists under this state of things? Clearly to encourage this spirit among the people, and to foster our denominational schools that are already established, and to establish others when they are needed.

The committee desires in this connection to especially commend to the people within the bounds of this Association and throughout the State, Stone College at Meridian, an institution for the education and training of usefulness, girls and young women.

We desire, also, to specially mention Mississippi College. We used to call it "Our College," but we have no right any longer to so designate it in the sense of absolute ownership, as it is claimed by the citizens of Clinton as their College.

But one thing we know, and that is, it is at present under the charge and direction of noble Baptists, scholars and educators like Venable, Deupree and others, and we can sincerely urge parents everywhere to send

their sons there, and feel assured they will be in safe hands—in the hands of men who rank second to none, who fill positions in the great Universities.

Then we specially commend our Seminary at Louisville, Ky. It is the pride of our denomination, and is constantly increasing its facilities to meet a corresponding increase of patronage now greater than ever before in its history, and perhaps greater than any othor secular institute in the world.

It is needless for your committee to say, in conclusion, Baptists ought always to patronize our denominational schools in preference to any others.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. HARDY,
W. A. ROPER,
JOHN S. BUSBY,
Committee.

Ministerial Education.

Your committee is convinced of the fact that no subject is discussed and fostered by this Association of more importance than Ministerial Education.

The great importance of this subject is seen in the responsibility that the preacher labors under. The responsibility is great.

1st, Because God's word makes no allowance for mistakes that man is liable to make.

2nd, It is great because man is representing an alwise just God.

3. It is great because his work is to be tried by the fires of the judgment. We would call attention to 1st Cor. 3:10-15, to sustain this proposition.

Again, the inspired Paul says, (after having been put into the work, and seeing clearly what God would have him do, and knowing what a strict account he would have to give of his work), "who is sufficient for these

things?" "If any man preach any other gospel than that which we have preached, let him be accursed." As I said before, so say I now again, "if any man preach any other gospel than that which we have preached, let him be accursed."

Truth and error have always been antagonistic. Error must be refuted and truth established. Error presents itself in so many different ways in the Christian world that the true preacher of the truth of God needs all the education, cultivation and helps he can get. Hence your committee would urge our young preachers to attend Mississippi College, located at Clinton, and take a full course, if possible.

We are glad to know that there were thirty ministerial students at Clinton last session of the College. Our Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky., with Dr. Broadus at its head, is an institution that every preacher ought, by all means, to attend. If they can't spend more than one season take that, but we would say, take a full course if possible. There are some very important things learned at the Seminary.

For instance, students entering this institution soon find out how little they know about the scriptures. They soon find out that they have studied the Bible to very little advantage. They soon find out, by the study of systematic Theology, how easy it is for a preacher to run off the track, and the importance of sticking to the teachings of God's word.

We are proud to state to this Association that during the year the Seminary had a larger number of students than ever before in the history of the institution, 266.

Now, in conclusion, we earnestly recommend,

1, That we pray more fervently for the blessing of Almighty God to be upon this part of His work.

2. That we make more sacrifices in every way possible and that we give more liberally of our money for

the maintainance of this, one of God's most glorious gifts.

Respectfully submitted,
W. S. CULPEPPER,
T. J. WOODWARD,
J. E. DUNN,
Committee.

Publications.

The printing press, aside from the human voice, is the mightiest human agency used by the Lord in winning the world from the paths of evil back to himself.

The great reformer, Martin Luther, said of it, even in its infancy, "Printing is the latest and greatest gift by which God enables us to advance the things of the Gospel."

The wily and far-seeing Romish Monks of that day recognized in the printing press the greatest enemy of their dark and wicked works and said, "We must put down printing or it will put us down." Even to this day, they regard with bitter animosity the "Freedom of the Press."

It is a significant fact that the first book that came from the press, was the word of God; and another fact is, that to-day more Bibles are printed than any other book.

Notwithstanding that large numbers of Bibles, religious books, tracts and papers are being published now, it is lamentably true that, in many of our Baptist homes there are no religious papers and but few religious books and, in some, no Bibles are to be found, consequently many of our people know comparatively nothing of the work in extending the Redeemer's Kingdom as fostered by the churches through our Association and the State Convention.

As a people, we need the inthusiasm which intelligence inspires, and that concert of effort which only intelligence makes possible.

We have this information furnished at reasonable cost in the Baptist Record, Mississippi Baptist, Baptist Layman, Foreign Mission Journal, Our Home Field, the S. S. Liturature published at Nashville, Tenn., in books and pamphlets to be had at the Baptist Book Concern at Louisville, Ky., American Baptist Publication Society, Atlanta, Ga., and the Ladies Missionary Union, Baltimore, Md.

We earnestly recommend that all the pastors of this Association make a special effort to get every family in their churches to subscribe for our grand old Record, the State organ, pay for it and read it that they may be informed and be more fully inlisted in our Lord's work.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. DAVID,
ROBERT GEORGE,
S. O. SMITH,
Committee.

Woman's Work.

Your committee on Woman's Work beg leave to report:

When God created man and put him in Eden he saw that it was not good for him to be alone, so He gave to him a help-meet to aid him in dressing and keeping the garden. "The world was sad, the garden was a wild, and man, the hermit, sighed till woman smiled." Though being the weaker vessel, she was the first to yield to satan's temptations, yet, through her, a Savior came.

All down the ages woman has been a true help-meet to man in the service and worship of God. In the building of the Tabernacle in the wilderness, the people came, both men and women, as many as were willing-hearted, and offered precious gifts. All the women that were wise-hearted did spin with their hands, and brought that which they had spun, both of blue, and of purple, and of scarlet, and of fine linen; and all the

women whose heart stirred them up in wisdom spun goat's hair."

We find in the New Testament, as well as the Old, that woman is man's help-meet in religious work and service. During the earthly life of our Savior many women ministered to Him of their substance. He eulogized the poor widow who cast in her two mites; He pronounced an encomium upon the woman who annointed his head with ointment. Woman was last at the cross and first at the sepulchre. Time would fail us to speak of Lydia and Dorcas and Phœbe and Priscilla, and a score of others, whose names shine as stars in the firmament of God's word. We have abundant scripture for "Woman's Work." And we are glad to say that many of the Baptist women of our Sunny South are at work in the Master's vineyard. And, too, they are doing woman's work in woman's way. They are not clamoring for the pulpit; they do not wish to usurp authority over the men; but with womanly modesty, they, like Dorcas, are making garments for the poor, sending boxes of clothing to frontier missionaries and boxes of food to ministerial students. They are raising money to aid in building houses of worship and to help send the glad news of salvation to the ends of the earth.

Let us, as pastors and laymen, "help those women who labor with us in the gospel." Let us recognize them as co-workers and true help-meets in the great work of building up our Master's kingdom at home and abroad.

Respectfully submitted,
J. M. PHILLIPS,
Chairman.

REPORT OF VICE-PRESIDENT OF WOMAN'S WORK.

It is usually with feelings of regret that possibly I have not done all I could have done, that I send in my report as your "servant" in the very important work which you have so long entrusted to my hands.

As to my own work this year, I have nothing to report, except that I have kept in contact with the societies in the Association by correspondence; have tried to interest and encourage them and stimulate them to greater zeal in the cause. I have also furnished helps for the organization of one society in this, and one in another Association.

The work of the Women's Societies in this Association, judging from the amount contributed, is very encouraging, for their report shows that they have contributed more money than the women of any other Association in the State. Yet, when we think of the number of churches in the Association and the small number of societies reporting, we feel that more *might* have been done. If woman's work in the church as carried on by our Southern Baptist women is a power for good, will not the pastors look after the women's societies in their churches and encourage and direct them in their work?

Several of our churches have been engaged in erecting new houses of worship and the women have been great helpers in the work.

As stated above, one new society has been organized this year. This was in Hepzibah church. The number of societies reporting this year was only fourteen. The amount reported for all purposes is $1,703.21.

Respectfully,
GEORGIE D. PHILLIPS,
Vice-Prest. Woman's W'k.

Sunday Schools.

Your committee are pleased to report that our churches are coming to appreciate, as never before, the importance of the Sunday School.

As far as we can learn from the letters, there has been a net gain of 511 scholars and teachers over last year. Nearly all the churches report some gains, and two or three have organized schools.

ITS VALUE TO SOCIETY.

Aside from its religious character, the Sunday School claims consideration. It promotes good morals, hence it must lessen crime. If it did not have higher claims for Christian support, the world must admit its significance in improving the social condition of at least those who come in contact with it. Teaching God's word (which is the power of God unto salvation to all those that believe) by our consecrated men and women (largely women) many a soul has been led to Christ and their lives trained to Christian activity.

The Sunday School cannot be otherwise than a great power in the hands of the church when properly used. Where it is the church at work, selecting its officers as they do their pastor, the time of holding its session arranged so as to secure the largest attendance at the 11 o'clock service, the singing of lively songs, the superintendent not allowing the opening and closing exescises to drag, the teachers having studied the lesson so as to impress it, and interest the class, using system in the weekly collections, keeping the record in the class book, the secretary systematic in keeping the records and the superintendent or pastor making a review of and application of the lesson within an hour, dismissing with prayer. A very large proportion of the converts come from the Sunday School. Those members prove generally the best and most efficient workers for Christ.

The pastor is the legitimate ex-officio superintendent and should lend his presence to the school, and at least once a quarter preach a sermon to the children.

The superintendent should be a man of executive ability, piety and a student of the Bible. He is to the school what the pastor is to the church. One of the greatest draw-backs to the Sunday School work is inefficient teachers.

A teacher should be a Christian in word, walk and life. Example is more powerful than words. There is no avoiding influence, and it tells wonderfully for weal

or for woe. They must know the lesson themselves before they are prepared to teach it. They should go from their knees to the class, never neglecting personal work for the salvation of each one of them. They should use all helps possible, such as The Teacher, Pelaubet's Notes, Commentaries, Bible Dictionaries, etc., in the preparation of the lesson, but both scholar and teacher enter the class-room with only the Bible in hand, realizing the great responsibility resting on them, they should teach as for eternity.

The scholars should be educated in active benificence as much as in any other Christian duty. Train the children to contribute systematically of their substance and we shall have a generation of more earnest and liberal Christians in the future.

Superintendent, teacher, secretary, librarian, scholar, we urge you to be prompt, punctual and systematic.

We rejoice to know that Brother B. N. Hatch, our State Sunday School Evangelist, has been very successful in his work the past year, and we bespeak for him a hearty welcome in our Association.

We urge the organization of Sunday Schools in all our churches where there is none.

We recommend that each school hold a teacher's meeting weekly for the study of the lesson, interchange of thought and counsel.

We further recommend that our Sunday Schools should use the literature of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, at Nashville, Tenn., since they are the equal of any published, and the profits all go to the treasury of the Southern Baptist Convention Boards.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. PATTON,
L. W. WOOD,
W. B. HOOKS,
Committee.

Sustentation.

Your committee beg leave to report, that, at the last session of this body, a committee was appointed to propose some permanent plan to our Convention Board by which a permanent fund may be raised for Sustentation, and that the plan proposed by said committee was approved by the Board and adopted by the Convention, with an amendment which allows the principal of the fund to ba used, whereas the committee's plan contemplated that only the interest should be used. The plan is to issue coupon contracts or subscriptions running through a series of years, with as many yearly coupons as there are payments to be made. To illustrate: A person desires to subscribe twenty-five dollars payable in five years; he signs the contract which has five coupons, and the payment of the last coupon discharges the contract.

Your committee recommend that this Association approve this plan, and suggest that the committee on Nominations nominate a suitable layman in this Association as the special agent or representative of the State Board to look after this matter within our bounds.

Respectfully,

J. F. PARKER,
A. C. HULETT,
A. O. JONES,
Committee.

Temperance.

The scriptural injunction to "be temperate in all things," may or may not apply to the use of intoxicating liquors. If the definition of temperance be "the moderate use of what is right and total abstinence from what is wrong," as some claim, it will necessarily abolish the drinking habit. Indeed the whole liquor traffic is now almost universally acknowledged to be a "matchless even," and the saloon a terrible curse. Few if any, of our churches now tolerate the evil, and it is

an encouraging fact that "no license" is the law throughout the bounds of our Association.

Nearly the whole State of Mississippi is practically under prohibition today. True, in some counties there is a limited "jug trade," and a seemingly large number of "blind tigers;" but the consumption of liquors has been greatly reduced, and evasions of the laws are becoming more and more dangerous. Public opinion is being educated; drunkenness is growing less frequent, and arrests are confined to the lowest class of communities. Only in grossly immoral places is this vice to be found, and there will it abide until the dens of iniquity are ferreted out by the authorities.

In view of all these things, Christians are urged to be more earnest in their warfare, more careful of the influence and more consistent in their lives. Further, it is of the utmost importance that every good citizen endeavor to have the laws strictly and honestly enforced, more especially as the violators and their protectors appear not to value their oaths. Churches should take cognizance of this, and hence it is recommended that the following resolutions be re-affirmed:

Resolved 1st. That it is the sense of this Association, that, for any church member to visit saloons, sign whisky petitions, go on bonds of liquor sellers, vote for the sale or in any way countenance or encourage the traffic of intoxicating liquors, is un-Christian conduct, and should be brought under church discipline.

Resolved 2nd. That we will withdraw from any church and refuse to receive any church failing or refusing to enforce discipline as set forth in the foregoing resolutions.

Respectfully submitted,

L. A. DUNCAN,
A. I. JONES,
J. W. TUCKER,
Committee.

Colportage.

Your committee would suggest that as nothing has been done as yet by our State Board in the way of Colportage work within our territory, that we, as an Association, take steps in the direction of employing a Colporter, if such can be done.

Next to pastoral work comes that of the colporter, who, in destitute places and in neighborhoods where there are no churches, can visit from house to house and converse with families and leave the printed page to enforce the truth spoken. This will prepare the way for the regular preaching of the gospel.

We learn that the district of country between Clarke county and the Gulf Coast may be regarded as destitute to a great extent of such help as a Colporter could furnish.

Respectfully submitted,
R. A. BRECKENRIDGE,
C. H. BEARD,
J. W. MARTIN,
Committee.

Rawls Springs High School.

Your committee appointed to dispose of the Rawls Springs High School property by a tender of our interests in the school to Pearl Leaf Association, report that we have conferred with the committee from that Association, and made a proposition that if the Pearl Leaf Association would assume the indebtedness of the High School that we would transfer our interests in the school to the said Pearl Leaf Association. The committee from that Association stated that they were authorized to accept our interests in the school provided that the Chickasahay Association would agree to pay half the indebtedness of the school. Your committee could not agree to that proposition, and so the matter stands.

It is probable that the committee from Pearl Leaf Association will lay the proposition of your committee before that body at its meeting in October.

Respectfully submitted,

O. D. BOWEN,
J. H. PARKER,
Committee.

Special Committee on Popular Amusements.

Your committee to whom was referred the resolution in reference to the relation which Baptist churches occupy, or should occupy, towards the popular amusements of the day, such as balls, theatres, card parties, whist clubs, or other social clubs where dancing and card-playing are indulged in, base ball games, when stakes are played for, and also absenteeism, have had the same under consideration, and submit the following report:

Your committee are unanimously of opinion that the churches can rightly bear but one relation to these so-called popular amusements, and that is, the relation of uncompromising opposition.

They are all vicious in their tendencies and influences upon the lives and characters of those who indulge in them, and are contrary to the teachings of the holy scriptures.

As far as we are advised, Baptist churches in all the past, and in all countries where they have, and do exist, condemn the indulgence by church members in these so-called popular amusements.

Your committee are of opinion that in view of the tendencies of the present day and time of church members to indulge in these so-called amusements, that it would be well for all our churches to restate in unmistaken language their disapproval of them, and to make them causes for discipline.

On the question of absenteeism, your committee regret to have to say this is an evil too common among the

members of the churches. We understand by absenteeism is meant cases where church members, without any just or sufficient reason or excuse, persistently absent themselves from the various services of the church in the face of the divine admonition, "Forsake not the assembling of yourselves together as the manner of some is."

Your committee are of opinion that the churches would do well to make it a matter of discipline where a member persistently absents himself from the services of the church of which he is a member, including the church conferences, without sufficient reason or excuse, of which the church shall be the judge.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. HACKETT,
O. D. BOWEN,
L. A. DUNCAN,
J. L. GEORGE,
R. M. GUY,
Committee.

Executive Committee.

DEAR BRETHREN: Notwithstanding the many hindrances and the depression of the people during the last Associational year, your committee is able to report some work done, with hopeful results.

A proposed Institute at Fairfield, in December, was defeated by high waters; but an improvised meeting was held at Shubuta, which did some good. Pastor Phillips and Deacon Patton were present to take part, but the Elder, C. G. Elliott, was the main speaker.

The second attempt to hold an Institute was more successful. It was held at Harmony church; Pastor Butler being present. Elder I. L. Stone was providentially in attendance. Elder J. M. Phillips read an excellent paper on Colportage, and Deacon Patton made some capital speeches. Everybody was delighted. Congregations were quite full.

In July a joint effort was made in connection with the Committee of Bethlehem Association. The meeting was called for 15th Avenue Church. The weather was unfavorable; so an adjournment pro tem was made to Oak Grove church to help the other meeting. Dr. Hackett and pastor David, only, were able to come to the rescue.

Through some misunderstanding a sufficient number of brethren did not essemble the day before the Association; so only a night meeting was held. Deacon Patton, Elder R. M. Guy and Elder C. G. Elliott did the main speaking and did it well. The people seemed deeply interested.

Whether the experiment shall be made another year remains with the Association to decide. In the matter of Colportage there has been no decided progress. Correspondence has been conducted but no definite conclusion reached. We still hope for something.

Respectfully submitted,

L. A. DUNCAN, Chm'n.

PROTEST

AGAINST NATIONAL AID OF DENOMINATIONAL OR SECTARIAN SCHOOLS.

WHEREAS, Baptists have ever been the consistent and unfaltering believers in, and advocates of, complete separation of church and State, and have ever been opposed to all legislation which fostered any particular religious faith or denomination:

Therefore, *Resolved*, That this Association, speeking for its entire constituency protests against the appropriation of any money out of the National Treasury by the Congress of the United States for the aid or support of denominational or sectarian schools among the Indian tribes of the United States and Territories.

Resolved, That our senators and representatives in Congress from this State be and are hereby requested to

make known this and protest to their respective Houses of Congress, and to use their votes and influence against such appropriations.

Resolved, further, That the Clerk of this Association furnish a copy of this preamble and resolutions to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

Nominations.

We nominate Pachuta as the place of holding next session of this Association, and Thursday, at 10 A. M., before the first Sunday in October, 1895, as the time, and that J. M. Phillips preach the Associational sermon and W. S. Culpepper be his alternate.

We nominate W. H. Hardy as delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention, and J. M. Phillips as alternate. The Southern Baptist Convention will most likely meet at Augusta, Ga., Thursday before the second Sunday in May, 1895.

We nominate the following brethren as delegates to the Baptist State Convention, which will meet at Hazlehurst at 10 A. M. Thursday before the third Lord's day in July, 1895.

J. A. Hackett, J. O. Crawford, W. H. Hardy, W. Z. West, Truman Gray, H. R. Ward, J. N. Shirly, C. H. Beard, C. S. Ray, J. E. Phillips, W. H. Patton, A. C. Hulett, W. J. David, J. W. Bozeman, W. B. Hooks, J. M. Phillips, R. A. Breckenride, L. A. Duncan, S. W. Joiner, W. S. Culpepper, W. J. McNair, J. S. Hardee, J. S. Busby, J. W. Martin, A. I. Jones.

We recommend that any of the delegates above so nominated, that may be present at the session of the Convention, are hereby authorized to fill out their quoto from any brethren from this Association that may be in

attendance at such Convention, if all the delegates above nominated are not present.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. MARTIN,
W. D. TURNER,
J. S. HARDEE,
J. N. MELTON,
W. H. PATTON,
Committee.

NOTE—W. H. Hardy was nominated to look after Sustentation.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE 1. The name of this shall be the Chickasahay Baptist Association.

ART. 2. Its object shall be the promotion of the Redeemer's Kingdom, by the concentration of Christian labor; the inculcation of Bible Truth and the cultivation of friendly intercourse among the churches.

ART. 3. Members of the Association may be of two classes, viz: delegates and messengers, the first class only having the right to vote, and to produce evidence of their appointment by the churches which they propose to represent before being entitled to seats.

ART. 4. Each church belonging to the Association shall be entitled to two delegates until its membership shall exceed fifty, and an additional delegate for each fifty members thereafter, provided that ministers who are members of any such churches, but supply other pulpits, may be appointed as additional delegates above the regular quota.

ART. 5. The Association shall only have the power of an advisory council, and shall in no wise infringe upon the rights or independence of the churches.

ART. 6. No queries shall be considered by the Association unless regularly sent up through the churches, nor shall difficulties between the churches be discussed until other methods of settlement have been tried without avail.

ART. 7. The Association shall meet annually, as may be agreed upon; and, after enrolling the names of the delegates, proceed by ballot to the election of a Moderator and Clerk, who shall be ex-officio Treasurer of the Association.

ART. 8. The duties of the various officers shall be similar to those of all deliberate bodies, and Mell's Parliamentary Manual shall be the basis of all decisions of order.

ART. 9. Churches holding the Articles of Faith adopted by this body may become members of the Association by a unanimous vote, and letters of dismissal may be obtained, without assigning a reason therefor, by the concurrence of a majority, while the Association claims the right of withdrawing from such churches as it shall deem heterodox or disorderly.

ART. 10. The Constitution may be altered or amended at any annual meeting of the Association by a vote of three-fourths of the delegates present; provided the proposed alteration or amendment shall have been submitted at the session immediately preceding.

Articles of Faith.

1. We believe in one God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost—equal in power and Glory.

2. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old Testament and New were written by the inspiration of God, and are the only rule of faith and practice.

3. We believe in the doctrine of original sin, of total depravity and of man's inability to restore himself to the favor of God.

4. We believe that God chose his people, in Jesus Christ, before the foundation of the world, and that

they are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.

5. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God by the imputed righteousness of Christ only.

6. We believe that the Gospel is God's appointed means of calling sinners to the knowledge of the truth; and he has commanded it to be preached to every creature, therefore all are required to obey.

7. We believe that good works are the fruits of faith, and the only evidence of justification; and that all believers will abound therein from a principle of love.

8. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, the just and the unjust; the general judgment, and that the joys of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.

9. We believe that a visible Church of Christ is composed of faithful persons only, who have covenanted to keep up a discipline agreeable to the New Testament.

10. We believe that Jesus Christ is the only lawgiver of his church and that the government is with the church, each member having equal right therein.

11. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are the ordinances of the church, and are to be continued until the second coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

12. We believe that immersion alone is Baptism and can be administered only by those duly set apart by the church, and that believers in Christ are the only proper subjects for the ordinance.

13. We believe that regular baptized believers only have a right to partake of the Lord's Supper.

Rules of Decorum.

1. All meetings of this Association shall be opened with prayer and closed by praise or benediction.

2. The officers of the Association shall hold their positions until successors are chosen.

3. The Moderator shall preside, or some brother whom he may designate while speaking, and shall preserve order; his decisions being final, unless an appeal is immediately made to the body.

4. It shall be in order for male delegates and messengers only to discuss questions or speak publicly in the sessions of the body, and only one member shall speak at a time, who shall rise and address the Moderator.

5. No member shall be interrupted while speaking unless he departs from the subject under discussion, or use personal reflection.

6. Every motion made and seconded shall be put to a vote, unless withdrawn by the mover.

7. After allowing due time for debate, all questions taken up shall be disposed of before any other motion can be entertained.

8. No member shall speak more than once upon the same subject without permission of the Association, nor shall any practice be tolerated which interrupts speaking.

9. Members shall use the term "brother" when speaking of each other, and shall be rebuked by the Moderator for violation of these rules.

10. These rules may be altered or amended at any annual meeting by a two-third vote of the members present.

STATISTICAL T

CHURCHES.	POST-OFFICE	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	Baptized.	By Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed	Excluded.	Deceased.	Dropped.	Total Membership	S. S. Scholars.	Officers & Teachers	Pastor's Salary.	State Missions.
Barnett	Barnett	C. C. Vaughn	Mary L. Thomas	9	14	1	2				30	32		$	$
Buckatunna	Buckatunna	J. B. Hamberlin	T. J. Johnson		5		4			2	38	25	4	75 00	
Big Creek											73				
Clear Creek	Shubuta	J. M. Phillips	W. B. Falconer	4	3		2				74	42	6	75 00	
Concord	Shubuta		Jesse Carter	5	1		12				51	58	6		
DeSoto	DeSoto	H. A. Pickard	C. H. Meeks	1	10		7	1		3	73	56	5	65 00	26 3
Eastabuchie	Eastabuchie	O. D. Bowen	H. H. McComb	1	10	1	1		2		56	76	8	150 00	4 0
Ellisville	Ellisville	O. D Bowen	J. M. Bush	34	19	1	6	3			201	186	11	500 00	17 4
Enterprise	Enterprise	J. A. Hackett	H. R. Ward	5	10		1		1		68	76	7	200 00	19 7
Fairfield	Eucutta	J. M. Phillips	Wyatt Martin	8	1	1	12		1		109	35	6	100 00	2 5
Fairmount	Shubuta	A. I. Jones	A. O. Jones	4		1					57			40 00	
Fifteenth Avenue	Meridian	W. J. David	T. L. Myers	17	25	1	20	2	1		195	150	12	720 00	26 0
Forty-first Avenue	Meridian		J. E. Lloyd	24	24	3	49	9	1		148	136	16	750 00	21 6
Harmony	DeSoto	W. R Butler	D. R. Red. Jr.			1	2				60	25	5	100 00	10 0
Hepzibah	Shubuta	J. O Crawford	J. L. Mixon	6	3		5				36	34	7	50 00	
Heidelberg	Heidelberg	L. M. Stone	S. Q. Donald	3	13		2				33	30	5	150 00	
Highland	Meridian	J. R. Farish	E. B. McRaven	1	3		14				36	69	8	176 00	2 0
Laurel	Laurel	W. S. Culpepper	K. D. Stephens	18	19	4	12	3			96	93	10	100 00	5 0
Lauderdale	Lauderdale	I. L. Stone	J. W. Ulrick	1	2		2				15	50	6		
Meridian	Meridian	J. W. Bozeman	A. S. Bozeman		33		22	5	3	4	352	252	30	1500 00	41 1
Mount Zion	Winchester	G. W. Fagan	E. D. O'Gwin	5	2		2	4		1	83	31	6		10 0
Narkeeta	Narkeeta		L. J. Ford				2				26				
New Hope											20				
Oak Grove	Shubuta	R. W. Sumrall	J. Sumrall		2						20				
Pachuta	Pachuta	C. C. Vaughn	J. H. Rogers		2		13		2	1	59	27	5	94 00	
Poplar Springs	Meridian										40				
Quitman	Quitman	J. R. Farish	G. L. Donald				2				43		3	162 00	28 0
Salem	Waynesboro	T. E. Tucker	G. D. Prescott	6	2		6		3		154	40	6	150 00	20 0
Sandersville	Sandersville	O. D. Bowen	A. McDaniel	4	7		8				86	56	5	172 60	13 4
Shubuta	Shubuta	J. M. Phillips	C. W. Smith	1	4		7	1		9	57	60	8	150 00	28 2
South Side	Meridian		C. C. Dunn	15	17		7		1		43	120	10	54 00	1 0
Stonewall	Stonewall	R. A. Breckenridge	W. E. Barrow	34	18	9	33	5			128	100	8		
State Line											51				
Thompson's Creek											39				
Vossburg															
Yellow Creek															
				207	249	23	255	33	15	20	2659	1859	203	$5533 60	$276 4

REMARKS—Ministerial help goes under the head of miscellaneous.——Amounts to Sunday School Evangelist put in S
sions reported "otherwise" and watch care put in letter column.——Total membership of several churches not represented th

TICAL TABLE.

	S. S. Scholars.	Officers & Teachers	Pastor's Salary.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions	Mississippi College	Ministerial Ed.	Baptist Bible So.	Sustentation.	Church Expenses.	S. S. Expenses.	Miscellaneous.	Ass'nl Purposes.	Total.
0	32		$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$ 1 00	$ 1 00
8	25	4	75 00			2 20					9 15	6 20		2 70	92 25
3															
4	42	6	75 00		1 75	2 60				2 20	17 70	3 20		1 50	103 95
1	58	6			1 00	9 00						15 90	89 00	1 50	115 50
3	56	5	65 00	26 35	1 55						53 30	7 20		2 30	155 70
6	76	8	150 00	4 00	4 05	4 20		3 10		7 50	10 16	6 85	38 00	3 00	230 86
1	186	11	500 00	17 40	16 00	26 50		22 20		50 00	47 00	29 87	113 00	10 00	831 97
8	76	7	200 00	19 75		9 75		10 00			30 00	8 00	55 00	3 00	335 50
9	35	6	100 00	2 50	2 50	2 50		1 00		5 50	25 00	10 00		2 50	151 50
7			40 00		3 50									1 00	44 50
5	150	12	720 00	26 00	10 00	20 00		30 00		5 50	225 00	7 50	235 00	3 00	1349 50
8	136	16	750 00	21 65	34 85	37 60		116 70		8 13	287 53	140 24	225 95	2 50	1625 15
0	25	5	100 00	10 00					1 10			2 75		1 00	114 85
6	34	7	50 00		1 90	1 90						3 00	20 00	50	77 30
3	30	5	150 00									4 65	16 25	1 50	172 40
6	69	8	176 00	2 00	6 00	8 65					69 15	25 51		2 00	289 31
6	93	10	100 00	5 00	5 00						249 35	33 27	52 00	3 00	447 62
5	50	6													
2	252	30	1500 00	41 15	25 00	24 30		16 45		15 70	345 81	97 30	7510 80	5 00	9581 51
3	31	6		10 00								3 00	31 50	2 50	47 00
6														2 00	2 00
0															
0														4 50	4 50
9	27	5	94 00								213 28	5 00	43 55	1 70	357 53
0															
3		3	162 00	28 00		4 50					30 00	18 00		1 50	244 00
4	40	6	150 00	20 00	16 05	7 00					9 20	6 00		2 00	210 25
2	56	5	172 60	13 40	3 75	15 65		2 50		5 00	10 00	8 60	20 00	1 25	252 75
2	60	8	150 00	28 25	5 00	6 00	2 25	9 50		4 30	20 00	20 00	1915 00	2 50	2163 00
3	120	10	54 00	1 00							15 00	20 00		1 50	91 50
8	100	8												4 00	4 00
1															
9															
	1859	203	$5533 60	$276 45	$137 90	$183 35	$2 25	$211 45	1 10	$104 03	$1666 63	$ 548 64	$10365 05	$70 45	$ 19100 90

School Evangelist put in State Missions.——Contributions to Seminary put under Ministerial Education.——Acces-
urches not represented this year is taken from last year's minute.

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